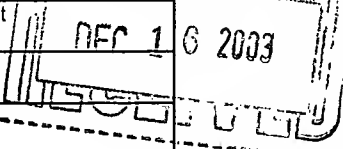




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Title of Invention METHOD FOR PROVISION OF PROGRAM AND BROADCASTING SYSTEM AND SERVER			



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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and

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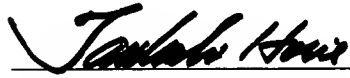
Prior art references A1-A5 were cited in a European Search Report issued in a counterpart EPO application. A copy of the Search Report is attached to this Statement. Prior art references A6-A8 were cited in an Office Action issued in a counterpart Korean application. A copy of the Office Action is also attached to this Statement. Prior art references A6 and A7 are in Korean. For reference A6, Applicants are submitting a concise explanation of the relevant part of the reference. For reference A7, Applicants are submitting prior art reference A8, which is International Publication No. WO 97/13368. Reference A7 is originally a PCT application whose International Publication is reference A8.

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